EMERGENCY COMMISSION MEETING Minutes Monday, December 12, 2005

A special meeting of the Emergency Commission was held on Monday, December 12, 2005, in the Governor's Conference Room. Present in the conference room were Governor John Hoeven, Senator Bob Stenehjem, and Secretary of State Al Jaeger. Participating via telephone conference call were Senator Ray Holmberg, Representative Berg, and Representative Svedjan. Governor Hoeven called the meeting to order at 8:07 a.m.

Consideration of Recommendations from Centers of Excellence Commission

The following requests were submitted according to the following section of the North Dakota Century Code – 15-69-02(2), (2005 Session Laws, Chapter 151):

"A commission funding award recommendation must be for a specified amount. Designation of a center occurs upon board, foundation, and budget section approval of a commission funding award recommendation. In considering whether to designate a center, the board, foundation, and budget section may not modify the commission recommendation. The budget section may not make a determination of whether to approve or reject a commission funding award recommendation until the emergency commission reviews the commission recommendation and makes a recommendation to the budget section." (underlined emphasis added)

1. Centers of Excellence Commission (Reguest # 1566)

Bismarck state College Career and Technology Institute, \$3,000,000

2. Centers of Excellence Commission (Request # 1567)

Lake Region State College – Dakota Center for Technology-Optimized Agriculture, \$450,000

3. Centers of Excellence Commission (Request # 1568)

University of North Dakota – Energy & Environment Research Center – National Center for Hydrogen Technology, \$2,500,000

4. Centers of Excellence Commission (Reguest # 1569)

North Dakota State University – Center for Advanced Electronics Design and Manufacturing Technology, \$3,000,000

Secretary Jaeger moved to favorably recommend and forward all four requests to the Budget Section. Senator Holmberg seconded the motion. Voting aye were Svedjan, Jaeger, Stenehjem, Berg, Holmberg, and Hoeven. No nay votes. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:44 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Alvin A. Jaeger Secretary of State

Secretary to Emergency Commission